Page 6

REMARKS

By the present Preliminary Amendment, all multiple dependency has been

eliminated from the original claims and new dependent claims 8-21 have been added

so that the scope of the original multiple dependent claims has been preserved and

a further aspect of the present invention has been defined. It is to be understood

that the revisions to the claims with respect to multiple dependency are solely for

formalistic purposes and not with regard to patentability.

Entry of the instant Preliminary Amendment and favorable consideration on

the merits are respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner have any questions concerning the subject application,

the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the number provided

below.

Respectfully submitted,

BUCHANAN INGERSOLL PC

Date: February 10, 2006

Registration No. 28,531

P.O. Box 1404

Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1404

(703) 836-6620